## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. <u>Answer Each Question Completely</u>. Provide a separate answer to each question and subpart set forth in this Information Request. Please provide responses to all the questions in this Information Request for each Property identified in response to Question 4 of Section 2.0, when appropriate. For each Response clearly identify the Property or Properties to which the response applies. Incomplete, evasive, or ambiguous answers shall constitute failure to respond to this Information Request and may subject the Respondent to the penalties set out in the cover letter.
- 2. Response and Copies of Documents Must be on Paper (hard copy). Provide the responses to this Information Request and at least one copy of all requested documents on hard copy paper.

There is a Portland Harbor PRP search website:

(http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/CLEANUP.NSF/7d19cd587dffleee8825685f007d56b7/75e7f 27bdl08f3eb88256f4a007ba018!OpenDocument) that lists documents in the Superfund program's files related to certain facilities or parties. You do not need to provide a copy of a document that appears on the list if EPA has a complete copy. If a document is on EPA's list, you still must provide a complete Response to each question in this Information Request and, if necessary in order to completely respond to a Question, describe the content of any document in EPA's files in your Response.

You may also provide a second copy of the response electronically on a compact disc, if you choose, in Portable Document Format (PDF) format. If possible, further format large documents as follows;

- a. Bookmark documents longer than 10 pages for easier navigation (e.g., chapters);
- b. Ensure that file/document properties/initial view is for "bookmarks panel and page" if there are bookmarks.
- c. For document composed of multiple files, link together with a starter file that is less than 2 MB, i.e., the document's executive summary. The executive summary should have a bookmarks panel with bookmark links to the other files. Ensure that all files are saved to the same folder, rather than multiple folders so that the linkage is retained.
- d. Bookmarks to other files should indicate the name of that file (and size of that file, if over 1 MB).
- e. "Tag" the document for accessibility if this was not done by the source application (advanced/accessibility/tag).
- f. Enter document properties: 1) title, author (should be XXXX for EPA Region 10), 2) subject, and 3) keywords.
- 3. <u>Number Each Answer</u>. Number each answer with the number of the question to which it corresponds.
- 4. <u>Provide the Best Information Available</u>. Provide responses to the best of Respondent's ability, even if the information sought was never put down in writing or if the written documents are no longer available. Seek out responsive information from current and former employees/agents. Submission of cursory responses when other responsive information is available to the Respondent will be considered noncompliance with this Information Request.
- 5. <u>Identify Information Sources</u>. For each question, identify all persons and documents relied upon for the answer.



- 6. Confidential Information. The information requested herein must be provided even though the Respondent may contend that it includes confidential information or trade secrets. The Respondent may assert a confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information requested, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 9604(e)(7)(E) and (F), and 40 C.F.R. § 2.203(b). All information claimed to be confidential should be contained on separate sheet(s) and should be clearly identified as "trade secret" or "proprietary" or "company confidential." A confidentiality claim should be supported by the submission of information consistent with 40 C.F.R. Part 2. Information covered by a confidentiality claim will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent, and only by means of the procedures, provided in 40 C.F.R. §§ 2.20 1-2.311. If no such claim accompanies the information received by EPA, it may be made available to the public by EPA without further notice.
- 7. <u>Disclosure to EPA Contractor</u>. Information submitted in response to this Information Request may be disclosed by EPA to authorized representatives of the United States, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. 2.310(h), even if the Respondent asserts that all or part of it is confidential business information. EPA may provide this information to its contractors for the purpose of organizing and/or analyzing the information contained in the responses to this Information Request. If submitting information and asserting it is entitled to treatment as confidential business information, the Respondent may comment on EPA's intended disclosure within 14 days of receiving this Information Request.
- 8. <u>Personal Privacy Information</u>. Personnel and medical files, and similar files the disclosure of which to the general public may constitute an invasion of privacy, should be segregated from responses, included on separate sheet(s), and marked as "Personal Privacy Information". Note, however, that unless prohibited by law, EPA may disclose this information to the general public without further notice.
- 9. <u>Objections</u>. The Respondent must provide responsive information notwithstanding objections to certain questions. To object without providing responsive information may subject Respondent to the penalties set out in the cover letter.
- 10. <u>Privilege</u>. If a privilege is asserted for any document responsive to this Information Request, identify (see Definitions) the document and provide the basis for assertion. If a privilege exists for only a portion of a document, provide the portion of the document that is not asserted be privileged, identify the portion that is asserted to be privileged, and provide the basis for asserting privilege. Please note that regardless of the assertion of any privilege, any facts contained in the document which are responsive to the Information Request must be disclosed in your response.
- 11. <u>Declaration</u>. The Respondent must complete the enclosed declaration, certifying the accuracy of all statements in your response.

## **DEFINITIONS**

All terms not defined herein shall have their ordinary meaning, unless such terms are defined in Section 101 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601, et seq., or Volume 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), in which case such statutory or regulatory definitions shall apply. The following definitions shall apply to the following words as they appear in this Enclosure:

- 12. The term "you" or "Respondent" shall mean the addressee of this Request, together with the addressee's officers, managers, agents, employees, contractors, trustees, successors, assigns, and any predecessor or successor corporations or companies.
- 13. The term "business activities" shall mean all actions, endeavors, ventures, or financing arrangements related in any manner whatsoever to the use and development of the

- Property, including surveying, sampling, grading, documentation, photography, demolition, construction, and waste disposal, and sales.
- 14. The terms "document" and "documents" shall mean any method of recording, storing, or transmitting information. "Document" shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. writings of any kind, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
    - i. letters, memoranda, email or fax transmittals;
    - ii. any film, photograph, or sound recording on any type of device;
    - iii. meeting minutes, telephone records, notebooks;
    - iv. agreements and contracts;
    - v. reports to shareholders, management, or government agencies;
    - vi. transportation manifests;
    - vii. copies of any document;
    - viii. report, notices, analysis, notebook.
  - b. any blueprints or drawings; and
  - c. attachments to, or enclosures with, any document.
- 15. The term "identify" means, with respect to a natural person, to set forth: (a) the person's full name, (b) present or last known business and home addresses and telephone numbers; and (c) present or last known employer (include full name and address) with job title, position, or business.
- The term "identify" means, with respect to a corporation, partnership, business trust, or other entity, to set forth: (a) its full name; (b) complete street address; (c) legal form (e.g., corporation, partnership, etc.); (d) the state under whose laws the entity was organized; and (e) a brief description of its business.
- 17. The term "identify" means, with respect to a document, to provide: (a) its customary business description (e.g., letter, invoice); (b) its date; (c) its number if any (e.g., invoice or purchase order number); (d) the identity of the author, addressee, and/or recipient; and (e) a summary of the substance or the subject matter. Alternatively, Respondent may provide a complete copy of the document.
- 18. The term "Investigation Area" refers to the area in and adjacent to the Willamette River in which EPA is currently conducting its PRP search and is bounded to the North by the confluence of the Columbia Slough, approximately River Mile 1.7 and bounded to the South at River Mile 12 and bounded to the East by a line following N Lombard St. to N Columbia Blvd. to Chimney Park to N. Commando Ave. to N Lombard St. to N Reno Ave. to N Edison St. to N Catlin Ave to N Decatur St. to N Baltimore Ave. to N Crawford St. to N Polk Ave. to N Willamette Blvd. to N Greeley Ave to N Interstate Ave. and bounded to the West by a line following NW Gillihan Rd. on Sauvie Island to Columbia River Hwy 30 to NW St. Helens Rd. to NW Nicolai St. to NW Vaughn St. to NW Thurman St. to NW 14th Ave. to NW Raleigh St. to NW 13th Ave. to N W Pettygrove St. to NW 12th Ave to NW Overton St. to NW 9th Ave. to NW Lovejoy St. to NW Broadway to NW Glisan St. Additionally, the area included between the Columbia River Hwy 30 and Forest Park is included in the definition of Investigation Area. See attached Investigation Area Map for a visual depiction of the Investigation Area.
- 19. The term "material" or "materials" shall mean any and all raw materials, commercial products, wastes, oil, petroleum, chemicals, substances, or matter of any kind.
- 20. The "period being investigated" and "the relevant time period" shall mean 1937 to present.

- 21. The term "Property(ies)" shall refer to any and all real or personal property within the Portland Harbor Investigation Area that Respondent owns, leases, manages, operates, has an easement on, or otherwise has an affiliation, or previously owned, leased, managed, operated, had an easement on, or otherwise had an affiliation during the period being investigated. The term Property includes aquatic lands owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by Respondent. Please note that you must answer the Questions in this Information Request related to properties outside the Investigation Area if Question 4, Section 2.0 specifically instructs you to.
- 22. The term "waste" or "wastes" shall mean and include trash, garbage, refuse, by-products, solid waste, hazardous waste, hazardous substances, and pollutants or contaminants, whether solid, liquid, or sludge, including, but not limited to, containers for temporary or permanent holding of wastes, building debris and asbestos-containing material.